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The above-identified U.S. patent application is a division of co-pending application Serial No. 09/639, 360, filed August 14, 2000, which is a division of application Serial No. 08/987,267, filed December 9, 1997, now U.S. Patent No. 6,185,326, which is a division

of application Serial No. 08/429,469, filed on April 27, 1995, now U.S. Patent No. 5,956,420, which is a continuation of Serial No. 07/995,204, filed December 22, 1992, abandoned.

In compliance with the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant wishes to bring the following items to the attention of the Examiner. As each item was cited in a related application, no copy of the documents is enclosed.

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The following document is cited in the specification of the related applications and the present application;

- (1) CHENG-YUAN TUNG et al., U.S. Patent No. 4,847,641, issued July 11, 1989.

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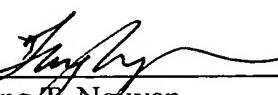
- (2) Japanese Published Unexamined Patent Application No. (A) 2-111161, (FUJI SHASHIN FILM KABUSHIKI KAISHA), published April 24, 1990.
- (3) KOLL, U.S. Patent No. 3,652,992, issued March 28, 1972;
- (4) YAMAMOTO et al., U.S. Patent No. 4,566,124, issued January 21, 1986;
- (5) CLARK et al, U.S. Patent No. 4,829,568, issued May 9, 1989;
- (6) ATKINSON, U.S. Patent No. 5,033,105, issued July 16, 1991;

- (7) KELLY-MAHAFFEY, U.S. Patent No. 5,086,478, issued February 4, 1992;
- (8) MURAYAMA, U.S. Patent No. 5,091,976, issued February 25, 1992;
- (9) OKAMOTO et al., U.S. Patent No. 5,237,624, issued August 17, 1993;
- (10) BLUM et al., U.S. Patent No. 4,627,002, issued December 2, 1986;
- (11) DARBY et al., U.S. Patent No. 4,725,966, issued February 16, 1988;
- (12) Gazou Denshi Gakkaishi publication 17, 3 (1988);
- (13) N. Komatsu et al, "A Proposal on Digital Watermark in Document Image Communication and its Application to Realizing a Signature", Electronics & Communication in Japan, Part 1, Vol. 73, No. 5, 1990, pgs 22-33;
- (14) N. Komatsu et al, :"Authentication System Using Concealed Image in Telematics", Department of Electronics and Communication Engineering, Waseda University, 1988, pgs. 45-60; and
- (15) W. Szepanski, "A Signal Theoretic Method for Creating Forgery Proof Documents for Automatic Verification", Garnahan Conference on Crime Countermeasures, University of Kentucky, May 16-18, 1979, pgs 101-109.

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	(6)	5,033,105		Atkinson	07/16/91	382	0056	
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	(9)	5,237,624		Okamoto et al	08/17/93	382	0022	
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